

ordering a transcript.” Rule 8003(a)(2) states that a “failure to take any step other than the timely filing of a notice of appeal does not affect the validity of the appeal, but is ground only for the district court or BAP to act as it considers appropriate, including dismissing the appeal.” Therefore, “[i]f an appellant violates one of the rules of bankruptcy procedure, the district court may dismiss the appeal.” In re Weiss, 111 F.3d 1159, 1173 (4th Cir. 1997).

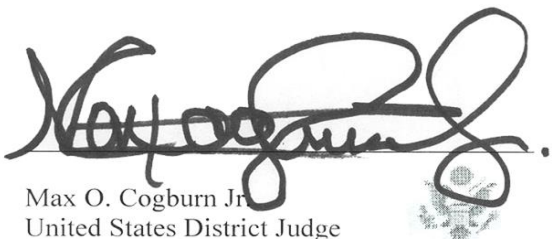
The Fourth Circuit has observed that “the sanction of dismissal for failure to comply with a non-jurisdictional, procedural guideline ... [is] a harsh sanction which a district court must not impose lightly.” In re Serra Builders, Inc., 970 F.2d 1309, 1311 (4th Cir. 1992). However, an appellant's negligent failure to comply with procedural requirements may lead to dismissal of the entire appeal. Id. Here, the Clerk of the Bankruptcy Court has provided appellant with notice that went unheeded and this Court has provided appellant with notice, an opportunity to make the required filings or explain her earlier failure, and advised her of the consequences of failing to respond. Based on the lack of any response, the Court concludes that appellant has abandoned this appeal and will now dismiss the appeal for failure to prosecute.

ORDER

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that this Appeal is **DISMISSED**.

The Clerk of Court shall send a copy of this Order to the Bankruptcy Clerk of Court, attention Deputy Truesdale.

Signed: August 7, 2017



Max O. Cogburn Jr.
United States District Judge